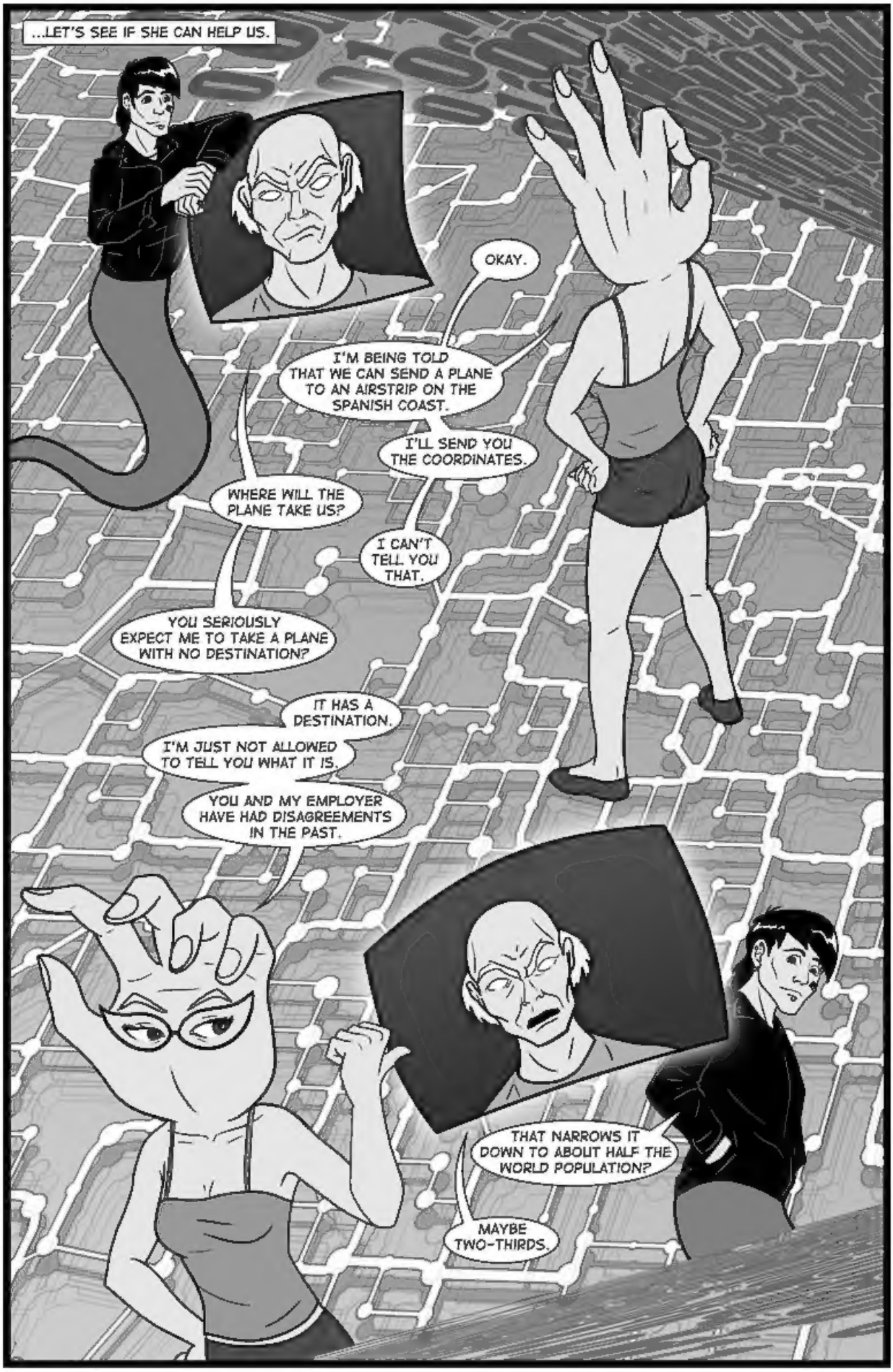
...LET'S SEE IF SHE CAN HELP US.
OKAY.
I'M BEING TOLD THAT WE CAN SEND A PLANE TO AN AIRSTRIP ON THE SPANISH COAST.
I'LL SEND YOU THE COORDINATES.
WHERE WILL THE PLANE TAKE US?
I CAN'T TELL YOU THAT.
YOU SERIOUSLY EXPECT ME TO TAKE A PLANE WITH NO DESTINATION?
IT HAS A DESTINATION.
I'M JUST NOT ALLOWED TO TELL YOU WHAT IT IS.
YOU AND MY EMPLOYER HAVE HAD DISAGREEMENTS IN THE PAST.
THAT NARROWS IT DOWN TO ABOUT HALF THE WORLD POPULATION?
MAYBE TWO-THIRDS.

IF YOU WANT ME ON THAT PLANE, I'LL NEED YOU ON IT ALSO.
OR SOMEONE HIGH-VALUE.
JUST TO PROVE THAT IT'S NOT GOING TO CRASH AND KILL US.
I'M..
...BEING TOLD THAT WILL BE NO PROBLEM.
I'LL MEET YOU AT THE AIRSTRIP.
BUT ISN'T THIS A BIT PARANOID, BOYS?
YOU REALLY THINK THAT SOMEONE WOULD CRASH A PLANE TO GET YOU?
YES.

SO THIS IS SPAIN?
NOT THE FUN PART.
HMMN.
I DON'T LIKE THE LOOK OF THIS.
WELL, HEY THERE!
A TROUBLEMAKER, A TROUBADOUR, AND THE TERRIFYING MR. DOE.
I'M ZOEY. IT'S ACES TO MEET YOU.
COME ON, LET'S GET ABOARD.

HOLD ON.
THIS IS AN AUTOMATED MAHINDRA-TATA PRIVATE JET...
...BUT ALL THE MARKINGS HAVE BEEN SANDED OFF.
BOY HOWDY, ROGER.
HE'S SHARP.
TELL ME THAT WE AREN'T FLYING TO INDIA.

UM...
I'LL BE HONEST, MR. DOE. I'M REALLY SCARED.
I'VE BEEN ORDERED TO SAY ANYTHING THAT WILL GET YOU ON THIS PLANE.
SO IT IS A TRAP?
YEP.
I TRIED TO WARN YOU.
I KNOW YOU WERE DODGING PLANE CRASHES IN DAKAR.
BUT THEY'RE NOT GOING TO BLOW THE PLANE UP. I PROMISE.
THEY'RE SET UP TO CAPTURE YOU WHEN WE LAND.

HOW?
INDIA HAS AN ARMY OF SUPERSOLDIERS, USING FUMIAKI'S TECH.

THINK I'D LIKE TO SEE THAT.
BESIDES, I'M NOT GETTING BACK IN THAT WHALE.

MISS LAMB?
THE INDIAN GOVERNMENT SAYS THEY'VE CAPTURED JACOB DOE.
THEY CLAIM THE GENOCIDE PROJECT IS MIS-MANAGED...
...AND HIS PUBLIC TRIAL WILL PROVE IT.
DAMN IT.

MISS LAMB, HUMINT IN SENEGAL HAS SIGHTED PAKAWA.
SHE HAS A NEW ARMY OF DEVIANT SOLDIERS.
WHAT?
GRR.

MISS LAMB --
WHY ARE YOU ALL BRINGING THIS TO ME?
KEVIN IS IN CHARGE!
UM...
BECAUSE OF HUMPHREY, MA'AM.

THE DIRECTOR KILLED HIM. WITH HIS BARE HANDS.
KEVIN KILLED ONE OF OUR OWN ANALYSTS?
HE SAID NEVER TO BRING HIM BAD NEWS BEFORE HE'S HAD HIS TEA.

THIS IS GETTING OUT OF HAND.
I NEED TO TALK TO THE BOYS IN THE MACHINE SHOP...
MISS LAMB!
Y-YOU NEED TO SEE THIS!

NO.
NO, THIS CAN'T BE RIGHT.
WHAT'S WRONG?
THIS IS THE CORE DUMP FROM JACOB'S GENOCIDE CASE.
IT SAYS THAT FUMIAKI'S ATTACK IN FOLKESTONE...

...WAS A DUAL RELEASE. TWO VIRUSES.
ONE MESSY AND SHORT-RANGED, TO GET ATTENTION.
PLUS A SECOND, AIRBORNE STRAIN...

THE HIDDEN STRAIN IS A RETROVIRUS.
IT COULD LURK ASYMPTOMATIC FOR DECADES.
WHEN IT RESURGES, THE VICTIMS WILL...

...MELT LIKE TAFFY.
BECAUSE IT IS FUMIAKI'S PUPAE VIRUS.
AND ONLY INDIA HAS THE CHRYSALIS PODS EVERYONE WILL NEED TO SURVIVE.
EVERYONE? YOU MEAN THE WHOLE PLANET!
YEP.
THE QUARANTINE AREA WAS TOO SMALL FOR THE AIRBORNE STRAIN.
AND IT WAS RIGHT NEXT TO THE CHANNEL TUNNEL.

THE VIRUS IS ALMOST CERTAINLY IN EUROPE BY NOW.
WE'VE FAILED.

FUMIAKI TRIED TO KILL THE ENTIRE HUMAN RACE, AND INDIA PLANS TO *PROFIT* OFF IT?
AND YOU'RE OKAY WITH THIS?
HELL, NO.
I'M JUST A JOURNALIST, A REFUGEE, AND BAIT FOR YOU.

AFTER I HACKED THULE FOR YOU, G.U.S. CAME DOWN ON ME HARD.
HAD TO LEAVE AUSTIN, BUT INDIA TOOK ME IN.
IT HELPED THAT I FOUND THE MASTER KEYS TO THE UNDERNET.
REALLY?
BUT I'M JUST WITNESSING ALL OF THIS, MR. DOE.
THERE ISN'T MUCH THAT I CAN DO.

...
ALL RIGHT.
TELL ME EVERYTHING.
BUT FIRST, WHAT HAVE WE GOT TO EAT?

WHY ARE THEY PUTTING JACOB ON TRIAL?
FOR MY WORK IN 2071, PROBABLY.
THREE GENOCIDE MEN TORE THEIR ARMY APART. GOVERNMENTS REMEMBER THINGS LIKE THAT.
THEY SHOULDN'T HAVE MADE THE CHAULMOOGRA.
THEIR NEW SUPERSOLDIERS ARE CALLED THE BRAHMIN.
THEIR BASE IS IN PUH, JUST MILES FROM THE CHINESE BORDER.
'POO'?
THE TOWN'S NAME IS 'POO'?
PRONOUNCE IT 'PUH' OR YOU'LL INSULT THEM.
HOW INSULTED CAN THEY GET? THEY LIVE IN POO.
GREAT.
I LOVE TOURING THE HELLHOLES OF THE EARTH.
JACOB, ISN'T 'HELL' ANYWHERE WE ARE?

LADIES AND GENTLEMEN, WELCOME TO POO.
ROGER, WHEN WE LAND GET TO SAFETY...
...AND KEEP YOUR MOUTH SHUT.
HUH.
TALLER THAN YOU DESCRIBED.
MISTER DOE.
YOU ARE NOW THE PRISONER OF THE INDIAN ARMY 9TH CORPS...

MY NAME IS BRIGADIER ABHIK
I APOLOGIZE FOR OUTWITTING AND ABDUCTING YOU
SINCERELY

IS THAT WEAPON A PROBLEM?
NO, SIR
THE BRAHMIN ARE IMMUNE TO STANDARD GM NEUROTOXIN
AH GOOD

I JUST HAVE ONE QUESTION --
YOU HAVE THE CURE FOR FUMIAKI'S PUPAE VIRUS
DO YOU INTEND TO GIVE IT TO EVERYONE?
YES, OF COURSE

NOT RESERVED FOR ANY CASTE SYSTEM?
THAT'S BEHIND US
FUMIAKI DREAMED OF GENETIC EQUALITY
LOOKS TO ME LIKE HE WANTED EVERYONE TO DIE

OUR GOALS ARE NOT THE SAME AS FUMIAKI'S.
IT IS NOT OUR INTENTION THAT ANYONE DIE FROM HIS PLAGUE
WE WISH TO USE IT, ALONG WITH YOUR TRIAL
TO DESTROY THE CRIMINAL GENOCIDE PROJECT

YOU KNOW, THAT'S GOOD ENOUGH FOR ME
I AGREE WITH YOU ABOUT THE PROJECT
IF MAKING ME A SCAPEGOAT HELPS BRING THEM DOWN, I'M FOR IT
TAKE ME IN I SURRENDER

ACTUALLY
I WAS HOPING THIS WOULD BE A TRAINING OPPORTUNITY

BRAHMIN, PLEASE SUBDUE MR. DOE
REALLY?
AW, COME ON

THE BRAHMIN AREN'T IMMUNE TO TASER WEAPONS ARE THEY?
JH
WE'LL GET TO WORK ON THAT SIR

OKAY, FIRST OF ALL
ZA-CRACK!
THESE GUYS ARE REALLY GREEN
TOTALLY RELIANT ON THEIR SIZE AND STRENGTH
IT'S LIKE THEY'VE NEVER HEARD OF JUDO

SECOND, WHY DO THEY HAVE TESTICLES?
AT LEAST MOVE THEM INSIDE THE RIB CAGE, OR SOMETHING
AND THIRD

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INTEL SAYS THEY KNOW WHERE JACOB DOE IS BEING HELD
IT'S ON THE CHINESE BORDER
HMN
WE ALSO HAVE WORD THAT PAKAWA IS BACK IN SENEGAL
BUT SHE'S LAYING LOW.
I SHOULD GO CHECK OUT ONE OF THESE, SHOULDN'T I?
NO JUST HOLD ON
I'M ON MY WAY TO SPEAK TO KEVIN
GOOD, THEN I CAN ASK HIM
SORRY NO
THIS IS A PRIVATE MEETING YOU'RE NOT INVITED

KEVIN AND I MAY BE DISCUSSING TOPICS FOR WHICH YOU DON'T HAVE CLEARANCE
I THOUGHT I HAD THE HIGHEST CLEARANCE
YOU DO NOT
BE PATIENT I'LL SEE YOU AFTERWARD
TELL ME --
WHERE IS THE SECURITY ROOM?
OR WOULD YOU LIKE TO SEE MY BADGE?

KEVIN, WE NEED TO TALK
IS THAT A NEW WHEELCHAIR, LOLA?
YOU KNOW, MOST WOMEN ACCESSORIZE THEIR OUTFITS WITH HANDBAGS

I HAD THE BOYS IN THE LAB BUILD IT FOR ME
KEVIN, I WANT YOU TO TAKE A LEAVE OF ABSENCE
WHY?
EVERYTHING'S GOING SPLENDIDLY

THROWING NUKES AT A CIVILIAN POPULATION
ANGERING THE G u S COUNCIL.
MURDERING HUMPHRIES, FOR GOD'S SAKE

I LOST MY TEMPER, I'LL ADMIT
YOU KNOW HOW I AM BEFORE I'VE HAD TEA.

KEVIN, YOU CAN'T
MISS LAMB?
HOLD ON
YES?
THIS IS SECURITY CHIEF TRILBY
WE HAVE A SITUATION

CAERA SHOU HAS TAKEN OVER THE SECURITY ROOM
YOU ASKED US TO TURN OFF THE CAMERAS IN DIRECTOR KIDD'S OFFICE, BUT SHE'S TURNED THEM BACK ON
THERE'S NOTHING I CAN DO

IS THERE A PROBLEM?
YES
SO LET'S MAKE THIS QUICK

YOU ARE RETIRING AS DIRECTOR OF THE PROJECT
EFFECTIVE IMMEDIATELY
WHY?
I BELIEVE I WENT OVER THAT
EVERYTHING I'VE DONE HAS BEEN ACCORDING TO OUR CHARTER
KEVIN
WE PROTECT THE WORLD
INTIMIDATION AND OVERKILL ARE OUR PRIMARY TOOLS
NO
FEAR IS UNSUSTAINABLE AS A GOVERNMENT POLICY
EVENTUALLY YOU HAVE TO TERRORIZE YOUR OWN POPULACE TO KEEP THEM IN LINE
THAT WAS NEVER OUR CHARTER

PART OF THE RATIONALE FOR THE GUAYAQUIL PLAGUE WAS TO REMIND THE PUBLIC WHY THEY NEEDED US
KEVIN SHUT UP

WHEN WE SABOTAGED THE CHINESE SUPERSOLDIER PROGRAM, WE COULD HAVE JUST SHUT THEM DOWN
BUT YOU TURNED THEM INTO THE JIAN SHI
ARE YOU TELLING ME THAT WASN'T INTENDED TO TERRORIZE?
ENSCH IN CHIEF

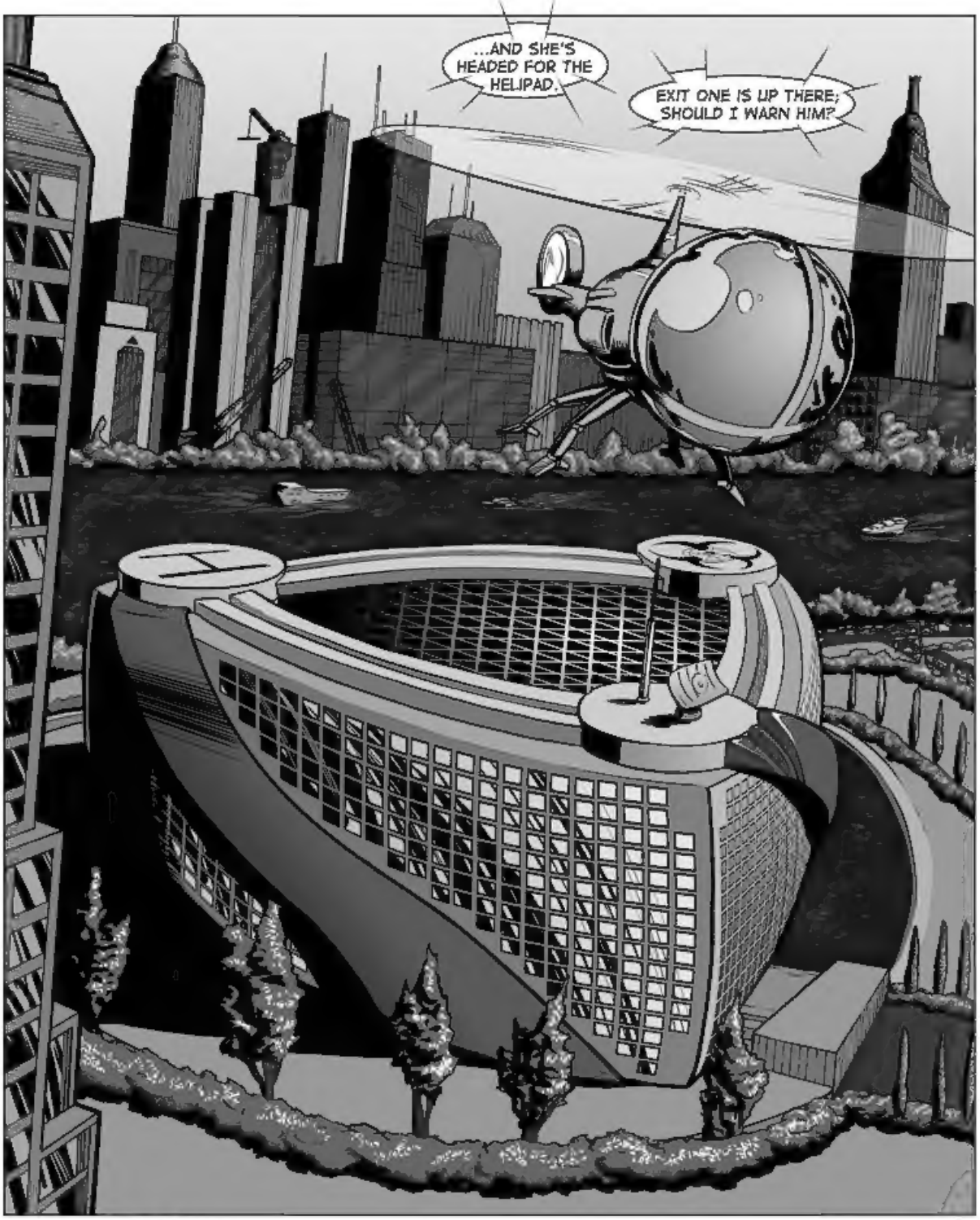
CLICK-CLICK
KEVIN
BA-DUM!
YOU'RE A PRAT
I ASKED THE LAB BOYS FOR A RECOILLESS RIFLE
WITH AUTO-AIM FAST ENOUGH TO CATCH A GENOCIDE MAN
SEE HOW WELL PEOPLE RESPOND WHEN YOU SHOW SOME LEADERSHIP?

NOT THAT YOU REMEMBER HOW TO ACTIVATE YOUR SPEED --
OH
YOU DO

WE KILL THREATS!
WE USE OVERKILL TO ENSURE THE THREATS ARE GONE!
BUT WE ARE NOT MALICIOUS, AND WE DO NOT SPREAD FEAR!
THAT'S WHAT MAKES US THE GOOD GUYS!

TERROR! OPPRESSION! BRUTALITY!
THESE ARE ALL OBSOLETE
WE DRIVE THEM AWAY!

BUT KILLING?
KILLING NEVER GOES OUT OF STYLE.
ÜBE
TRILBY?
WHERE IS CAERA SHOU?
SHE'S LEFT THE SECURITY ROOM, MA'AM...


...AND SHE'S HEADED FOR THE HELIPAD.
EXIT ONE IS UP THERE; SHOULD I WARN HIM?

WARN HIM, BUT IF SHE WANTS TO LEAVE, LET HER GO.
MAYBE A SABBATICAL WILL CLEAR HER HEAD.
OH, AND SEND THE JANITORIAL STAFF, PLEASE.
THERE'S A MESS IN HERE.

WE NEED TO MOVE QUICKLY.
EVERY SQUARE INCH OF BRITAIN IS COVERED WITH SURVEILLANCE CAMERAS.
AND MURDEROUS QUARANTINE POLICE.
SO WHAT'S THE PLAN, KENTARO?
I'D LIKE TO STEAL A HOSPITAL.
IT'S GOOD TO THINK BIG, BUT...
HOW ABOUT SOMETHING WE CAN LIFT?
GOOD WORK. JUST...BE MORE GENTLE NEXT TIME?
HMPH.
FINE. I'LL FIGHT USING MY GOOD LOOKS, THEN.

THERE'S THE EUROTUNNEL SERVICE ENTRANCE.
GOOD.
THEY'RE BEHIND US -- KEEP GOING.
THEY CAN'T BOMB US ONCE WE'RE UNDER THE WATER LINE.
JUST A LITTLE FARTHER...
THEY KNOW WE'RE HERE.
WE'RE NOT BEING SUBTLE.
YET.